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Security Council

10:00	6950th meeting [webcast]	Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question[1]

[1]Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *four minutes*.

General Assembly

Committee on Information
Thirty-fifth session

10:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 2 (NLB)
	Open-ended working group of the Committee on Information [item 9]	
Morning[1] to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2 (NLB)

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the meeting of the Open-ended working group.

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Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects
Fourth meeting

12:00 to 14:00	Closed meeting	DOALOS Conference Room (DC-2 Building, 4th Floor)
	Meeting of the Bureau to consider the draft recommendations proposed by the Co-Chairs to be considered by the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole	
15:00 to 18:00	Open meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
	Consideration and adoption of recommendations to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly [item 12]	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
	Executive meeting	

Economic and Social Council

Partnerships Event [webcast]

10:00 to 13:00 — Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

Partnering for innovative solutions for sustainable development

Opening plenary:

Welcome remarks by His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), President of the Economic and Social Council

Opening address by His Excellency Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations

Keynote address by Mr. Mo Ibrahim, Chair, Mo Ibrahim Foundation

Policy dialogue 1: "Partnerships for sustainability" (from 10:30 to 11:45)

Moderator:
Mr. Ali Velshi, Host, Al Jazeera America

Panellists:
His Excellency Christian Friis Bach, Minister for Development Cooperation, Denmark

Ms. Doreen Lorenzo, President, Frog Design

Dr. Klaus M. Leisinger, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Novartis Foundation for Sustainable Development

Interactive discussion

Policy dialogue 2: "The changing face of technology and innovation"
(from 11:45 to 13:00)

Moderator:

Mr. Ali Velshi, Host, Al Jazeera America

Panellists:

Mr. Joseph Ogutu, Chair, Safaricom Foundation, Kenya

Mr. Suneet Singh Tuli, Chief Executive Officer, Datawind

Mr. Jon Gosier, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Appfrica

Mr. Julián Ugarte-Fuentes, Executive Director, Socialab

Professor Nicholas Negroponte, Chair Emeritus, MIT Media Lab

Interactive discussion

Parallel Partnerships Clinics [webcast]

15:00 to 17:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

Session 1

"Innovative partnerships to address research and treatments for neglected tropical diseases"

Moderator:

Ms. Konji Sebati, Director, Department for Traditional Knowledge and Global Challenges, Global Issues Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization

Panellists:

Dr. Roy Waldron, Vice-President and Assistant General Counsel, Head of Global Patents, Pfizer

Dr. Neeraj Mistry, Managing Director, Global Network for Neglected Tropical Diseases

Dr. Solomon Nwaka, African Network for Disease and Diagnostic Innovation and World Health Organization Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases

Dr. Zafar Mirza, Coordinator, Department of Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property, World Health Organization

Ms. Helen F.M.'t Hoen, Visiting Fellow, University of Amsterdam, and Advisor, Medicines Patent Pool

Interactive discussion

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Session 2

"Mobiles for midwives: An innovative approach for better health information systems"

Moderator:

Mr. Gary Fowlie, Head, International Telecommunication Union Liaison Office to the United Nations

Panellists:

Mr. Prabjot Singh, Director, Health Systems, Centre for Globalization and Sustainable Development, Earth Institute, Columbia University

Mr. Robert Kirkpatrick, Director, UN Pulse

Mr. Clint McClellan, Senior Director, Qualcomm Life, and President and Chair, Continua Health Alliance

Ms. Dorothea Lang, International Midwifery Consultant

Dr. Yves Bergevin, Senior Health Advisor, United Nations Population Fund

Mr. Josh Nesbit, Chief Executive Officer, Medic Mobile

Dr. Olivia Velez, Senior mHealth Advisor, United States Agency for International Development

Mr. Dykki Settle, Director, Health Workforce Informatics, Intrahealth International

Ms. Ester Madudu, Midwife, Atirir Health Centre, Katine, Uganda (via videolink)

Interactive discussion

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Session 3

"Innovation and technology: Development and dissemination of innovative design solutions to address extreme poverty"

Moderator:

Ms. Cynthia E. Smith, Curator, Socially Responsible Design, Cooper-Hewitt Museum

Panellists:

Mr. Philippe Kridelka, Director, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Liaison Office, New York

Ms. Simona Rocchi, Senior Director for Innovation and Design, Philips Design

Mr. Marc Kerachsky, Director, New Market Models for Healthymagination, General Electric

Ms. Modesta Nyirenda, Senior Navigator, The Business Place

Ms. Shiela Kennedy, Professor of Practice of Architecture, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Mr. Ed Chan-Lizardo, Chief Development and Partnerships Officer, Kickstart International

Mr. Mikkel Vestergaard, Chief Executive Officer, Vestergaard Frandsen

Interactive discussion

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Session 4

"Innovative partnerships creating exponential change in access to quality learning"

Moderator:
Ms. Femi Oke, Host, Al Jazeera English

Panellists:
His Excellency Christian Friis Bach, Minister for Development Cooperation, Denmark

Ms. Yoka Brandt, Deputy Executive Director, United Nations Children's Fund

Mr. Ted Dintersmith, Venture Capitalist, Partner Emeritus, Charles River Ventures

Dr. Sharad Sapra, United Nations Children's Fund Representative, Uganda

Ms. Kristen Titus, Executive Director, Girls Who Code

Ms. Josephine Bourne, Associate Director, United Nations Children's Fund

Interactive discussion

Partnerships Event [webcast]

17:15 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

Partnering for innovative solutions for sustainable development

Closing plenary:

Reporting back on outcome of Partnerships Clinics

Moderator:
Mr. Amir Dossal, Founder and Chairman, Global Partnerships Forum

Remarks by Mr. Ellis Rubinstein, President and Chief Executive Officer, The New York Academy of Sciences

Closing remarks by Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

Closing statement by His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), President of the Economic and Social Council

[All are invited to attend. For additional information on the event, please *click here*; or contact Mr. Ajit Yogasundram (e-mail yogasundram@un.org). Please note that it will be possible to join the discussion on the day of the event on Twitter, using hashtag #InnovateYourFuture.]

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 6th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration — demographic aspects (E/CN.9/2013/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/7 and E/CN.9/2013/NGO/8) [item 4]

General discussion

Actions in follow-up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development (E/CN.9/2013/3, E/CN.9/2013/4 and E/CN.9/2013/5) [item 3]

Keynote statement by Professor Stella Go, on "Migration, gender and the family"

15:00 to 18:00 — 7th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate on the contribution of population and development issues to the theme of the annual ministerial review in 2013 [item 5]

Address by the President of the Economic and Social Council

Statement by the Chief of the Population and Development Section of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

General discussion

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration — demographic aspects (E/CN.9/2013/NGO/1, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/2, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/3, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/4, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/5, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/6, E/CN.9/2013/NGO/7 and E/CN.9/2013/NGO/8) [item 4]

Continuation of general discussion

[Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Eduardo Jose Atienza De Vega (Philippines), on behalf of the Chair, will be held *today*, 24 April 2013, from 11:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB); and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).]

[The session is served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Commission is available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *seven minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *ten minutes*. Delegations are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org, as soon as available, and at least two hours in advance of their designated speaking slot. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.]

[Members of the Commission and observers are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

[The list of side events on the occasion of the session can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal consultation

The Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women will hold an informal consultation on the progress made on the strategic plan, *today*, 24 April 2013, from 15:00 to 17:00, in *Conference Room E (NLB)*.

Informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

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Informal consultations (among co-sponsors of resolution 63/210 (A/RES/63/210)) on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Sanitation for all" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Singapore)

From 13:15 to 14:30, at the Permanent Mission of Singapore (231 East 51st Street).

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 24 April 2013

Group of 77 (on the Commission on Population and Development)

09:00 to 11:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)
13:15 to 14:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5 (NLB)

African Group (Fifth Committee experts)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E (NLB)

African Group (Second Committee and Third Committee experts) (on the Commission on Population and Development)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Other activities

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UNITAR orientation course for new members of permanent missions on the work of the United Nations

From 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here.* For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Women's International Forum: Meeting on "Women and heart disease: Working together on global challenges and progress" (sponsored by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. Please *click here* for further information.]

Experts meeting on "Rights in crisis" — Promoting human rights in financial regulation and macroeconomic policies" (organized by the Office of United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB); and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Nouhoum Sangare, OHCHR (e-mail sangaren@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6136).]

Special event — "A tribute to Oscar Niemeyer and the United Nations Board of Design" (co-organized by the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the Permanent Mission of Brazil, with the support of the Department of Public Information (DPI))

From 17:00 to 18:00, in the General Assembly Hall.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For further information please contact Ms. Jayashri Wyatt, DPI (e-mail wyatt@un.org).]

Special event on the occasion of the International Jazz Day (30 April) — Jazz: A language for peace (a concert by the Brubeck Institute Jazz Quintet) (organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in collaboration with the Brubeck Institute at the University of the Pacific)

From 18:30 to 20:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). [webcast]

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Jayashri Wyatt, DPI (e-mail wyatt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3911). For registration, please send an e-mail to committeeoninformation@un.org.]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Wednesday, 24 April 2013

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 25 April 2013

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Thematic debate entitled "The peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa"[1]

Opening

10:00 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Keynote address

10:20 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

His Excellency Jean-Pierre Buyoya, High Representative of the African Union for Mali and the Sahel

High-level segment

10:30 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Panel discussion I: "Fostering AU-UN cooperation around the nexus of peace, security and development"

15:00 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Moderator:
Mr. Colin Keating, Founding Executive Director, Security Council Report

Panel discussion II: "Complexity of conflict in Africa (Mali, Somalia, Sudan and Democratic Republic of the Congo) and efforts to address these challenges"

16:30 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Moderator:
Mr. Maged Abdelaziz, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Africa

Remarks by the President of the General Assembly

17:50 Conference Room 3 (NLB)

[1] A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 February 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. To consult the updated programme for the thematic debate is available, please *click here*.

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f) and (h), 112, 113, 115 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
Open briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, His Excellency Mohammed Loulichki (Morocco), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold a briefing to interested Member States on the Committee's revised documents and procedures for assessing Member States' implementation efforts of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005). The briefing will take place on Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences
Organizational session for 2013

The organizational session for 2013 of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Monday, 29 April 2013, at 15:00, in *Conference Room 5 (NLB), to elect the Bureau* for 2013 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda, contained in document A/AC.172/2013/L.1. For all relevant documents of the Committee please *click here.*

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 261st meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Tuesday, 30 April 2013, at 11:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room S-3633; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction
Intersessional workshops

Two intersessional workshops on issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction will take place at Headquarters from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The first workshop will take place on Thursday, 2, and Friday, 3 May 2013, and will address issues relating to "Marine genetic resources". The second workshop to be held on Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 May, will discuss matters relating to "Conservation and Management tools, including area-based management and environmental impact assessments". Both workshops will also consider issues related to international cooperation and coordination, as well as capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology.

The format and organization of work for the intersessional workshops and the provisional lists of panellists are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the workshops *by Wednesday, 1 May 2013* (e-mail doalos@un.org; room DC2-450; fax 1 (212) 963-5847).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed organizational session for 2013

The Economic and Social Council will hold elections on Thursday, 25, and Friday, 26 April 2013, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB), to fill vacancies in the membership of the following subsidiary bodies: Statistical Commission; Commission on Population and Development; Commission on the Status of Women; Commission on Narcotic Drugs; Committee for Programme and Coordination; Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund; Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; Executive Board of the World Food Programme; International Narcotics Control Board; and Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS. The Council will also hold elections to fill outstanding vacancies in the following subsidiary bodies: Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting; Committee for the United Nations Population Award; and Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme.

The agenda for the session is contained in document E/2013/2/Add.1.

Delegations wishing to propose candidates for election are kindly reminded to address their correspondence to the ECOSOC Affairs Branch, with a copy to Ms. Radhika Ochalik (e-mail ochalik@un.org) and Ms. Celia Syyap (e-mail syyap@un.org).

The Chairs of the regional groups for the current month are kindly invited to inform the Secretariat of candidatures which may be forthcoming from their groups. A list of candidates for the election, as well as supporting documentation, can be consulted on Candiweb by *clicking here*.

The Council will also take action on the proposed theme for the item on regional cooperation (E/2013/L.3) and the proposed theme for the humanitarian affairs segment (E/2013/L.4)[1] of its substantive session of 2013.

[1] To be issued.

Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-third session
Organizational session

The organizational session of the fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held on Thursday, 25 April 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), for the purpose of electing its Bureau.

The Committee will also have before it the annotated provisional agenda for the session (E/AC.51/2013/1), the note by the Secretariat on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2013/L.1) and the note by the Secretariat on the list of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2013/L.2).

Further information on the Committee for Programme and Coordination is available at www.un.org/en/ga/cpc/.

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of the note verbale will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee and would like to participate as observers are also requested to communicate, in a note verbale of their permanent mission to the United Nations in New York, the composition of their delegations to the secretariat well in advance of the scheduled organizational session.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations to discuss organizational matters, on Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB); and on Tuesday, 30 April, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room B (CB). All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend. Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from *11:30 to 13:00*, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP country programme document for Egypt;

Tuesday, 14 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room B (CB): on the report of the UNDP Office of Audit and Investigation;

Tuesday, 21 May 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the strategic plan 2008-2013; and management response;

Friday, 24 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the annual report on evaluation and management response;

Tuesday, 28 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Chamber (CB): on the UNDP evaluation of the global programme and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Africa and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Arab States and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Asia and the Pacific States and management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States and the management response; and the evaluation of the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean States and the management response; and

Wednesday, 29 May 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB): on the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to South-South and triangular cooperation (2008-2011) and management response.

Forthcoming informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

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General Assembly

Informal consultations with all Member States on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB); and

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Multilingualism" (under agenda item 120) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Senegal)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (briefing by Qatar)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 11.00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 15.00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in the General Assembly Hall.

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 08:45 to 09:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Arab Group (at the expert level)

Thursday, 25 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Eastern European Group (at the expert level)

Friday, 26 April 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

Consultations with the *Eastern European Group* (on the 2013 report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect) (co-organized by the Chairs of the regional groups, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 10:45 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Monday, 29 April 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "Activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)" (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by CTITF, Department of Political Affairs)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Anne Cruz, CTITF (e-mail cruz14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0541).]

Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "The Secretary-General's Five-year Action Agenda, pursuant to resolution 51/1 of the Commission for Social Development, entitled 'Policies and programmes involving youth'" (co-organized by the Department for Social and Economic Affairs (DESA), the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme and the Office of the Envoy of the Secretary-General on Youth)

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anke Green, DESA (e-mail green@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9650).]

UNITAR/OLA seminar on "Repression of piracy on the oceans and seas: An international legal framework" (co-organized by the UNITAR New York Office and the Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Briefing on "The present and future of renewable energy" (by the secretariat of the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the Twenty-First Century (REN21)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Andreas Pfaffernoschke, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail wi-4-1-vn@newy.diplo.de; or Mr. Jim Sniffen, UNEP (e-mail sniffenj@un.org).]

Friends of the International Criminal Court (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

Wednesday, 1 May 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Mr. Martin Huth, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail martin.huth@diplo.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0420).]

Briefing on "The international nuclear liability regime" (organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA))

Wednesday, 1 May 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact the IAEA Liaison Office at the United Nations (e-mail iaeany@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6012).]

Special events on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day (3 May) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and Greece, in partnership with the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO))

Screening of the film "Which Way is the Front Line from Here? The Life and Time of Tim Hetherington", followed by a panel discussion on "United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity"

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Suzanne Bilello, UNESCO Liaison Office to the United Nations (e-mail bilello@un.org).]

High-level event on "Human security" (organized by the Human Security Unit, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and co-sponsored by the Member States of the Human Security Network (Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland and Thailand, with South Africa as an observer) and the Permanent Missions of Honduras, Japan and Mexico)

Wednesday, 8 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[Addresses will be made by the Secretary-General and the Deputy Secretary-General, and a panel discussion will be held on the implementation of human security. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Guyatri James, Human Security Unit (e-mail jamesg@un.org); or *click here*.]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documents

Today, 24 April 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in French*);

Wednesday, 8 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in English*);

Wednesday, 15 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in Spanish*); and

Tuesday, 28 May 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in English*).

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 25 April 2013; and

Thursday, 9 May 2013.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 15:30 to 16:30)

Tuesday, 14 May 2013.

RSS feeds (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 17 May 2013.

Advanced research using subscription e-resources (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Security Council documentation (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 23 May 2013.

United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2013 Fellowship Programme is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* (Note Verbale ODA/28-2013/FP dated 28 February 2013 refers). Nomination form and other attachments can be found at www.un.org/disarmament/fellowship/. Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations Headquarters, Room S-3159, New York, N.Y. 10017.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 67/40, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/03-2013/D&D dated 18 March 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/49, paras. 2 and 4, entitled "Information on confidence building measures in the field of conventional arms", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note Verbale ODA/24-2013/ICBM dated 18 March 2013 refers); and

Resolution 67/62, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/23-2013/CAC dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/Milex/, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* the information relevant to Resolution 66/20, paras. 2 and 10 (a) and (b), entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/06-2013/OIMM dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Wednesday, 15 May 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Charlotte Laut Hernandez (fmct@unog.ch).

Resolution 67/53, para. 2, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/14-2013/FMCT dated 31 January 2013 refers).

2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 November 2013, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013.*

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course website at the following address: www.un.org/law/rcil/asia; or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting*.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 22 April 2013

Economic and Social Council

Special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

7th meeting

The Council continued its special high-level meeting.

Thematic debate of the whole on theme 2: "Financing for sustainable development, including through leveraging private capital, in the context of the follow-up to the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from 20 to 22 June 2012"

The Council heard the presentations made by the following senior officials of institutional stakeholders: Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA); Mr. James Zhan, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); and Mr. Chris Lane, Division Chief for Low Income Countries, Strategy, Policy and Review Department, International Monetary Fund (IMF).

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, China and Nicaragua, as well as by the observers for Peru and Germany.

A statement was made by the observer for the European Union.

Statements were made by the Executive Directors of the World Bank.

A statement was also made by a representative of the business sector, Citigroup.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following civil society organizations: International Women's Anthropology Conference; Third World Network; and African Development Interchange Network.

Thematic debate of the whole on theme 3: Global partnership for development in the context of post-2015 development agenda"

The Council heard the presentations made by the following senior officials of institutional stakeholders: Mr. Jos Verbeek, Lead Economist, World Bank; Mr. Richard Kozul-Wright, Officer-in-Charge, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD; and Mr. Shishir Priyardarshi, Director, Development Division, World Trade Organization.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Benin, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, Ethiopia and South Africa, as well as by the observer for the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

A statement was made by the observer for the European Union.

Statements were made by the Executive Directors of the World Bank.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following entities from the business sector: Samuels Associates; and United States Council for International Business.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following civil society organizations: Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund; Egyptian Centre for Economic and Social Rights; and Third World Network.

Closing of the special high-level meeting

The President of the Council (Colombia) announced that his closing remarks would be posted on the website of the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Tuesday, 23 April 2013

General Assembly

Committee on Information
Thirty-fifth session

2nd meeting

General debate [item 7]

Consideration of reports submitted by the Secretary-General [item 8]

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Chile, the United States, Costa Rica, Israel, Belarus, Egypt, Oman, the Republic of the Congo, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Cuba, Ukraine, Burkina Faso, Mexico and Argentina.

3rd meeting

General debate [item 7]

Consideration of reports submitted by the Secretary-General [item 8]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, the Russian Federation, India, Lebanon and the Bolivarian State of Venezuela, as well as by the observer of the State of Palestine. The representatives of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the International Organization of la Francophonie.

A closing statement was made by the Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information.

Economic and Social Council

Special meeting on "External debt sustainability and development: Lessons learned from debt crises and ongoing work on sovereign debt restructuring and debt resolution mechanisms"

8th meeting

Opening of the meeting

The President of the Economic and Social Council, His Excellency Néstor Osorio (Colombia), made an opening statement.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, made a statement.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, also made a statement.

A statement was made by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji, His Excellency Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Panel discussion

The Council heard the presentations by the following panellists: Mr. Jeffrey Lewis, Senior Adviser and Head of the International Policy and Partnerships Group, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Network, World Bank; Mr. Christoph Paulus, Professor, Humboldt University, Berlin; Ms. Yuefen Li, Head, Debt and Development Branch, UNCTAD; and Ms. Benu Schneider, Senior Economic Affairs Officer, Financing for Development Office, DESA.

Following the presentations of the panellists, an interactive discussion ensued, in the course of which statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, South Africa, China and Ecuador.

The representatives of the following civil society organizations also made statements: Jubilee U.S.A.; and Bread for the World.

The panellists responded to the questions and comments made.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the President of the Council (Colombia).

9th meeting

The Council continued its special meeting.

The Council heard a keynote address by Mr. Joseph Stiglitz, Professor at Columbia University and recipient of the 2001 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences, on "Gaps in legal and institutional structures for debt restructuring".

Panel discussion on "The architecture for debt restructuring"

The Council heard the presentations by the following panellists: Mr. Sergio Chodos, Alternate Executive director, International Monetary Fund; Mr. Hans Humes, Chair and Executive Officer, Greylock Capital Management, LLC; Ms. Deborah Nache-Zandstra, Partner, Sovereign Debt Restructuring Group, Clifford Chance, London; Mr. Lee Buchheit, Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen and Hamilton, New York; and Mr. James Haley, Executive Director, Inter-American Development Bank.

An interactive discussion ensued, in which statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand and Ecuador, as well as by the observers for Belize, Switzerland and Iraq.

Closing of the meeting

The President of the Council (Colombia) made concluding remarks.

[*Note*: To consult the provisional list of participants of the special meeting, please *click here*. Delegations are requested to review the list and send any modifications or additions to Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail duap@un.org).]

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

4th meeting

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration – demographic aspects [item 4]

General discussion

The Commission continued its general discussion under item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of Brazil, Belarus, Malaysia, Indonesia and Switzerland, as well as by the observers for Myanmar, South Africa, Mexico, Ukraine, Poland and Canada.

Actions in follow up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development [item 3]

The Commission had a panel discussion on "Migration and development" and engaged in an interactive dialogue moderated by His Excellency Mr. Tobias Billström, Minister for Migration and Asylum Policy of Sweden, with the participation of Professor Aderanti Adepoju, from the University of Ife, Nigeria; Professor Marcela Cerrutti, from Argentina's National Council of Scientific and Technical Research at the Center of Population Studies and the San Martín National University of Buenos Aires, Argentina; and Professor Marek Okólski, Professor of Demography at the University of Warsaw, Poland. An interactive discussion ensued, in which the observers for Mexico and Nigeria participated.

5th meeting

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration – demographic aspects [item 4]

General discussion

The Commission continued its general discussion under item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of Norway, Portugal, Germany, Senegal, Ghana, the Russian Federation, Belgium, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Jamaica, Pakistan, El Salvador, Cuba, Malawi, Japan, Uganda and the Republic of Moldova, as well as by the observers for Australia, Kyrgyzstan, Botswana, Argentina and Malta.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

Arms Trade Treaty
(New York, 2 April 2013)

Opening for signature

The Arms Trade Treaty was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/234B of 2 April 2013.

In accordance with its article 21, the Treaty shall be open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York by all States from Monday, 3 June 2013, until its entry into force.

Certified true copies of the Treaty, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are under preparation. Electronic copies of the Treaty will be made available soon on the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Treaty could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the Treaty Handbook on the United Nations Treaty Collection.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Democratic Republic of the Congo
His Excellency Ignace Gata Mavita wa Lufuta

Asia-Pacific States:
Samoa
His Excellency Ali'ioaiga Feturi Elisaia

Eastern European States:
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
His Excellency Pajo Avirovikj

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
His Excellency Camillo Gonsalves

Western European and other States:
France
His Excellency Gérard Araud

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Web of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council www.un.org/en/sc/.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Emergency information and updates

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Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 23 April 2013

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A/67/780/Add.2	Items 146 and 161 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Financing of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic — Budget performance of the United Nations Supervision Mission in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period from 14 April to 30 June 2012 — Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*
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Committee on Relations with the Host Country

A/AC.154/404 Letter dated 11 April 2013 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

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Economic and Social Council

Documents

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-third session
Substantive session

E/AC.51/2013/5 Item 3 (b) of the provisional agenda — Programme questions: evaluation — Review of the evaluation capacity of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees — Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [A C E F R S] — *24 pages*

Secretariat

ST/SGB/2007/11/Amend.1 Secretary-General's bulletin — Amendment to the Secretary-General's bulletin — ST/SGB/2007/11 on United Nations system-wide application of ethics: separately administered organs and programmes [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

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General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Thematic debate entitled "The peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa"[1] [webcast]

Opening

10:00 — General Assembly Hall

Keynote address

10:20 — General Assembly Hall

His Excellency Jean-Pierre Buyoya, High Representative of the African Union for Mali and the Sahel

High-level segment

10:30 — General Assembly Hall

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[1] A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 February 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. To consult the updated programme please, *click here*.

Security Council

10:00 — 6951st meeting — Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Mali

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Mali (S/2013/189)

Morning[1] — 6952nd meeting — Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning Western Sahara

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/2013/220)

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[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 6951st meeting.

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Panel discussion I: "Fostering AU-UN cooperation around the nexus of peace, security and development"

15:00 — Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Moderator:
Mr. Colin Keating, Founding Executive Director, Security Council Report

Panel discussion II: "Complexity of conflict in Africa (Mali, Somalia, Sudan and Democratic Republic of the Congo) and efforts to address these challenges"

16:30 — Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Moderator:
Mr. Maged Abdelaziz, Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Africa

Remarks by the President of the General Assembly

17:50 — Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Morning[1]	6953rd meeting	Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Côte d'Ivoire

Letter dated 12 April 2013 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1572 (2004) concerning Côte d'Ivoire addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2013/228)

Morning[2]	6954th meeting	Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Post-conflict peacebuilding

Report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its sixth session (S/2013/63)

15:00	6955th meeting	Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Somalia

Letter dated 19 April 2013 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2013/239)

Afternoon[3]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

Somalia (S/2013/239)

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 6952nd meeting.
[2] To be held following the adjournment of the 6953rd meeting.
[3] To be held following the adjournment of the 6955th meeting.

General Assembly

Committee on Information
Thirty-fifth session

15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole of the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects
Fourth meeting

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1 (NLB)
	Consideration and adoption of recommendations to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly [item 12]	

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
	Executive meeting	

Economic and Social Council
Resumed organizational session for 2013

10:00 to 13:00 — 10th meeting [webcast]. — Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

1. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments (E/2013/2/Add.1) [item 4]
   - (a) Statistical Commission (E/2013/9)
   - (b) Commission on Population and Development (E/2013/9)
   - (c) Commission on the Status of Women (E/2013/9)
   - (d) Commission on Narcotic Drugs (E/2013/9)
   - (e) Committee for Programme and Coordination (E/2013/9/Add.1)
   - (f) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (E/2013/9/Add.3, E/2013/9/Add.4 and E/2013/9/Add.12)
   - (g) Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (E/2013/9/Add.5)
   - (h) Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund/United Nations Office for Project Services (E/2013/9/Add.6)
   - (i) Executive Board of the World Food Programme (E/2013/9/Add.8)
   - (j) International Narcotics Control Board (E/2013/9/Add.11)
   - (k) Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (E/2013/9/Add.9)

Outstanding vacancies from previous sessions:

(l) Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting (E/2013/9)

(m) Committee for the United Nations Population Award (E/2013/9)

(n) Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (E/2013/9)

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

3. Basic programme of work of the Council [item 3]

Action on draft decisions E/2013/L.3 and E/2013/L.4

15:00 to 18:00 — 11th meeting [webcast] — Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB)

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments [item 4]

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 8th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

General debate on the contribution of population and development issues to the theme of the annual ministerial review in 2013 [item 5]

Introductory statements

General discussion

Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population (E/CN.9/2013/6 and E/CN.9/2013/CRP.1) [item 6]

Introductory statement by a representative of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

General discussion

[Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Eduardo Jose Atienza De Vega (Philippines), on behalf of the Chair, will be held *today*, 25 April 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).]

[The session is served in a PaperSmart manner. The official documentation of the Commission is available electronically via the PaperSmart Portal in all official languages. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission (Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3505)). In accordance with the practice at recent sessions of the Commission, the suggested time limit for national statements is *seven minutes*, while that for statements on behalf of groups of States is *ten minutes*. Delegations are requested to submit electronic versions of their statements to papersmart1@un.org, as soon as available, and at least two hours in advance of their designated speaking slot. The statements will remain embargoed until delivery, after which they will be available to the public on the Portal.]

[Members of the Commission and observers are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; room S-3064; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.]

[The list of side events on the occasion of the session can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-third session
Organizational session

15:00 to 18:00 — 1st meeting (closed) — Conference Room 5 (NLB)

1. Opening of the session
2. Election of officers [item 1]
3. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work [item 2]

Provisional agenda (E/AC.51/2013/1)

Status of preparedness of documentation: Note by the Secretariat (E/AC.51/2013/L.1)

Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit: Note by the Secretariat (E/AC.51/2013/L.2)

Other meetings

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Thursday, 25 April 2013

Group of 77 (on the Commission on Population and Development)

09:00 to 11:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room D (CB)

13:30 to 14:30 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

11:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room D (CB)

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

11:30 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 3 (NLB)

African Group (on Second Committee matters)

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (briefing by Qatar)

11:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 5 (NLB)

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Arab Group (at the expert level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Thursday, 25 April 2013

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium [webcast]

11:00 His Excellency Joaquim Alberto Chissano, former President of Mozambique and Co-Chair, High-level Task Force for the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD); Her Excellency Tarja Halonen, former President of Finland and Co-Chair of the High-level Task Force for ICPD; and Ms. Ishita Chaudhry, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of The YP Foundation (TYPF), New Delhi, India (on policy recommendations for the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014: Sexual and reproductive health and rights for all) [*Moderator:* Ms. María José Alcalá, Director, High-level Task Force for ICPD] [sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Finland]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Guests:* Mr. Ray Chambers, Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Malaria and for the Financing of the Health-related Millennium Development Goals; Ms. Joy Phumaphi, Executive Secretary, African Leaders Malaria Alliance; and His Excellency Alexandre Manguele, Minister of Health of Mozambique (via video-message)]

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 26 April 2013

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

10:00 77th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences [item 111 (f)]
2. Prevention of armed conflict: draft resolution (A/67/L.61) [item 33]

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

The Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 29 April 2013, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). A letter from the Office of the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 April 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f) and (h), 112, 113, 115 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

Open briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, His Excellency Mohammed Loulichki (Morocco), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold a briefing to interested Member States on the Committee's revised documents and procedures for assessing Member States' implementation efforts of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005). The briefing will take place on Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences

Organizational session for 2013

The organizational session for 2013 of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Monday, 29 April 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), to elect the Bureau for 2013 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda, contained in document A/AC.172/2013/L.1. For all relevant documents of the Committee please *click here*.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 261st meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Tuesday, 30 April 2013, at 11:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room S-3633; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction

Intersessional workshops

Two intersessional workshops on issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction will take place at Headquarters from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The first workshop will take place on Thursday, 2, and Friday, 3 May 2013, and will address issues relating to "Marine genetic resources". The second workshop to be held on Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 May, will discuss matters relating to "Conservation and Management tools, including area-based management and environmental impact assessments". Both workshops will also consider issues related to international cooperation and coordination, as well as capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology.

The format and organization of work for the intersessional workshops and the provisional lists of panellists are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the workshops *by Wednesday, 1 May 2013* (e-mail doalos@un.org; room DC2-450; fax 1 (212) 963-5847).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations to discuss organizational matters, on Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB); and on Tuesday, 30 April, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room B (CB). All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend. Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP country programme document for Egypt;

Tuesday, 14 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room B (CB): on the report of the UNDP Office of Audit and Investigation;

Tuesday, 21 May 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the strategic plan 2008-2013; and management response;

Friday, 24 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the annual report on evaluation and management response;

Tuesday, 28 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Chamber (CB): on the UNDP evaluation of the global programme and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Africa and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Arab States and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Asia and the Pacific States and management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States and the management response; and the evaluation of the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean States and the management response; and

Wednesday, 29 May 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB): on the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to South-South and triangular cooperation (2008-2011) and management response.

Pre-session informal consultation

A pre-session informal consultation of the Executive Board will take place on Friday, 17 May 2013, from 11:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

Annual session 2013

The annual session 2013 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Monday, 3, to Friday, 14 June, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and workplan for the session will be issued in document DP/2013/L.2.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org), as early as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 28 May*.

The upcoming annual session of the Executive Board will be PaperSmart. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be distributed electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Please note that hard copies of statements will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

A printing-on-demand service will be made available to members of the Executive Board and observer delegations upon request, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room. Delegations are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Forthcoming informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

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Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Multilingualism" (under agenda item 120) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Senegal)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Informal consultations, with the co-sponsors of General Assembly resolution 63/210 (A/RES/63/210), on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 11:45 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations, with all Member States, on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 08:45 to 09:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Eastern European Group (at the expert level)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

Consultations with the *Eastern European Group* (on the 2013 report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect) (co-organized by the Chairs of the regional groups, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 10:45 to 13:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 15.00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "Activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)" (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by CTITF, Department of Political Affairs)

Friday, 26 April 2013, from 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Anne Cruz, CTITF (e-mail cruz14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0541).]

Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "The Secretary-General's Five-year Action Agenda, pursuant to resolution 51/1 of the Commission for Social Development, entitled 'Policies and programmes involving youth'" (co-organized by the Department for Social and Economic Affairs (DESA), the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme and the Office of the Envoy of the Secretary-General on Youth)

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anke Green, DESA (e-mail green@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9650).]

UNITAR/OLA seminar on "Repression of piracy on the oceans and seas: An international legal framework" (co-organized by the UNITAR New York Office and the Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Briefing on "The present and future of renewable energy" (by the secretariat of the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the Twenty-First Century (REN21)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Andreas Pfaffernoschke, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail wi-4-1-vn@newy.diplo.de; or Mr. Jim Sniffen, UNEP (e-mail sniffenj@un.org).]

Briefing on "Cyberspace and international law" (organized by the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO), in cooperation with the Office of Information and Communications Technology (OICT))

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy S. Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net; tel. 1 (917) 623-2861).]

Friends of the International Criminal Court (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

Wednesday, 1 May 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Mr. Martin Huth, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail martin.huth@diplo.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0420).]

Briefing on "The international nuclear liability regime" (organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA))

Wednesday, 1 May 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact the IAEA Liaison Office at the United Nations (e-mail iaeany@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6012).]

Special events on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day (3 May)

High-level briefing on "Safe to speak: Ensuring the safety of journalists and media workers" (on the occasion of the World Press Freedom Day (3 May)) (co-organized by the Department of Information (DPI) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Aaron Burnett, DPI (e-mail section1d@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7709).]

Screening of the film "Which Way is the Front Line from Here? The Life and Time of Tim Hetherington", followed by a panel discussion on "United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and Greece, in partnership with the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO))

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Suzanne Bilello, UNESCO Liaison Office to the United Nations (e-mail bilello@un.org).]

High-level event on "Human security" (organized by the Human Security Unit, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and co-sponsored by the Member States of the Human Security Network (Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland and Thailand, with South Africa as an observer) and the Permanent Missions of Honduras, Japan and Mexico)

Wednesday, 8 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[Addresses will be made by the Secretary-General and the Deputy Secretary-General, and a panel discussion will be held on the implementation of human security. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Guyatri James, Human Security Unit (e-mail jamesg@un.org); or *click here*.]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases
(from 10:00 to 12:00)

Today, 25 April 2013; and

Thursday, 9 May 2013.

Introduction to United Nations documents

Wednesday, 8 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in English*);

Wednesday, 15 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in Spanish*); and

Tuesday, 28 May 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in English*).

Overview of the Legal Library (from 15:30 to 16:30)

Tuesday, 14 May 2013.

RSS feeds (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 17 May 2013.

Advanced research using subscription e-resources (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Security Council documentation (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 23 May 2013.

United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2013 Fellowship Programme is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* (Note Verbale ODA/28-2013/FP dated 28 February 2013 refers). Nomination form and other attachments can be found at www.un.org/disarmament/fellowship . Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations Headquarters, Room S-3159, New York, N.Y. 10017.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 67/40, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/03-2013/D&D dated 18 March 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/49, paras. 2 and 4, entitled "Information on confidence building measures in the field of conventional arms", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note Verbale ODA/24-2013/ICBM dated 18 March 2013 refers); and

Resolution 67/62, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/23-2013/CAC dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/Milex/, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* the information relevant to Resolution 66/20, paras. 2 and 10 (a) and (b), entitled "Objective

information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/06-2013/OIMM dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Wednesday, 15 May 2013*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Charlotte Laut Hernandez (fmct@unog.ch).

Resolution 67/53, para. 2, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/14-2013/FMCT dated 31 January 2013 refers).

2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 November 2013, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course website at the following address: www.un.org/law/rcil/asia; or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting*.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 24 April 2013

Security Council

6950th meeting

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Bahrain, Botswana, Brazil, Djibouti, Egypt, Iceland, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Japan, Lebanon, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Norway, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, the Syrian Arab Republic, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and the previous practice in this regard, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine to the United Nations to participate in the meeting.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jeffrey Feltman, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Ahmed Fathalla, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Abdou Salam Diallo, Chair of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Thomas Mayr-Harting, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Jeffrey Feltman.

The Council heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Israel.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, France, Luxembourg, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, Australia, Morocco, Azerbaijan, Pakistan, Guatemala, Argentina, Togo, the Republic of Korea and China, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Rwanda.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Cuba, Ecuador and Indonesia, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Lebanon and Egypt.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Ahmed Fathalla, Permanent Observer of the League of Arab States.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Abdou Salam Diallo, Chair of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Djibouti (on behalf of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation Group in New York), Saudi Arabia and Brazil.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Abdou Salam Diallo, Chair of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Thomas Mayr-Harting (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding country Croatia; the candidate countries The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro; and the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Albania, which aligned themselves with this statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Japan, the United Arab Emirates, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement, as well as in his national capacity), Ukraine, India, Cuba, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, Norway, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Malaysia, Iceland, Indonesia, South Africa, Botswana, Turkey, Qatar, Nicaragua, Bahrain and Ecuador.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

6th meeting

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration – demographic aspects [item 4]

General discussion

The Commission continued its general discussion under item 4 and heard statements by the representatives of the Philippines, Guatemala, Bangladesh, Ecuador and the United Republic of Tanzania, as well as by the observers for Tunisia, Sri Lanka, Nigeria, Kenya, Sweden, Togo and the Niger.

Actions in follow up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development [item 3]

The Commission heard a presentation on "Migration, gender and the family" by Professor Stella Go, Deputy Secretary General for External Affairs, Philippine Migration Research Network, and engaged in an interactive dialogue moderated by Vice-Chair, Mr. Juan Carlos Alfonso (Cuba), in which the representatives of Cuba, Senegal, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Japan and Jamaica, as well as observers for Niger, Burkina Faso and Mauritania, participated.

7th meeting

General debate on national experience in population matters: new trends in migration – demographic aspects [item 4]

General discussion

The Commission continued its general discussion under item 4 and heard a statement by the observer for Zambia.

Statements were made by the observers of the Holy See, the European Union, Partners in Population and Development and the International Organization for Migration, as well as by the representatives of the International Labour Organization, the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA), the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS).

Statements were also made by representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council: Action Canada for Population and Development (ACPD); Stichting Rutgers WPF; Asian-Pacific Resource and Research Centre for Women (ARROW); Catholics for Choice; Endeavour Forum, International Federation of University Women; World Youth Alliance; and Red de Salud de las Mujeres Latinoamericanas y del Caribe.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Declarations recognizing as compulsory the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice under Article 36, paragraph 2, of the Statute of the Court. 15 October 1946

Declaration under article 36 (2) of the Statute: Marshall Islands (24 April 2013)

Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards. New York, 10 June 1958

Accession: Myanmar (16 April 2013)

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea. New York, 23 May 1997

Accession: Malta (24 April 2013)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011

Signature: Ecuador (24 April 2013)

Arms Trade Treaty
(New York, 2 April 2013)

Opening for signature

The Arms Trade Treaty was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/234B of 2 April 2013.

In accordance with its article 21, the Treaty shall be open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York by all States from Monday, 3 June 2013, until its entry into force.

Certified true copies of the Treaty, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, are under preparation. Electronic copies of the Treaty will be made available soon on the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

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General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *April 2013* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
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His Excellency Ignace Gata Mavita wa Lufuta

Asia-Pacific States:
Samoa
His Excellency Ali'ioaiga Feturi Elisaia

Eastern European States:
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
His Excellency Pajo Avirovikj

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
His Excellency Camillo Gonsalves

Western European and other States:
France
His Excellency Gérard Araud

Security Council

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Official meetings

Friday, 26 April 2013

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

10:00 — 74th plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

1. Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences: Note by the Secretary-General (A/67/107) [item 111 (f)]
2. Prevention of armed conflict: draft resolution (A/67/L.61) [item 33]

Thematic debate entitled "The peaceful resolution of conflicts in Africa"[1] [webcast]

High-level segment

Morning[2] to 13:00 — General Assembly Hall

[1]Continuation of the thematic debate. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 February 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

[2]The thematic debate will continue immediately following the adjournment of the 74th plenary meeting of the General Assembly.

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General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

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Security Council

Military Staff Committee

11:00 to 13:00	1768th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6 (NLB)

General Assembly

Committee on Information
Thirty-fifth session

11:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 14:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10 (NLB)
	Executive meeting	

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

15:00	9th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission (E/CN.9/2013/L.2*) [item 7]
2. Actions in follow-up to the recommendations of the International Conference on Population and Development (E/CN.9/2013/3, E/CN.9/2013/4 and E/CN.9/2013/5) [item 3]

Oral decision on documentation

Consideration of the draft decision on the special theme for the Commission on Population and Development in 2015 (E/CN.9/2013/L.4)

Consideration of the draft resolution entitled "New trends in migration — demographic aspects"

4. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-sixth session (E/CN.9/2013/L.3) [item 8]

5. Closure of the session

[Informal consultations (closed) on the draft proposals of the Commission on Population and Development, convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Eduardo Jose Atienza De Vega (Philippines), on behalf of the Chair, will be held *today*, 26 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB).]

[The list of side events on the occasion of the forty-sixth session can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-seventh session

Afternoon[1] to 18:00 — 1st meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Election of officers

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[1]To be held following the closure of the forty-sixth session of the Commission.

Informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Friday, 26 April 2013

General Assembly

Informal consultations, with the co-sponsors of General Assembly resolution 63/210 (A/RES/63/210), on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

From 11:45 to 13:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Multilingualism" (under agenda item 120) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Senegal)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Other meetings

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Friday, 26 April 2013

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

08:45 to 09:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Eastern European Group (at the expert level)

10:00 to 10:45 Closed meeting Conference Room A (CB)

Consultations *with the Eastern European Group* (on the 2013 report of the Secretary-General on the responsibility to protect) (co-organized by the Chairs of the regional groups, the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect)

10:45 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A (CB)

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room E (NLB)

Asia-Pacific Group (at the ambassadorial level) (monthly meeting)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Forthcoming other activities

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Friday, 26 April 2013

Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "Activities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)" (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by CTITF, Department of Political Affairs)

From 10:30 to 12:30, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Ms. Mary Anne Cruz, CTITF (e-mail cruz14@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0541).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Friday, 26 April 2013

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 29 April 2013

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

10:00 2nd meeting Conference Room 4 (NLB)

[A letter from the Office of the President of the General Assembly, 23 April 2013, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

Announcements

The agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/251 (see document A/67/252* for the allocation of items). Annotations can be found in document A/67/100 and A/67/100/Add.1.

The following agenda items remain for consideration during the sixty-seventh session, apart from organizational matters and items that may have to be considered by operation of the rules of procedure of the Assembly: items 9, 11, 13 to 15, 20 (a) and (h), 30, 31, 33 to 37, 39, 40, 42 to 48, 54, 56, 60, 63 (a) and (b), 70 (a) to (c), 74, 94 (b), 106, 107, 110 (a) and (b), 111 (f) and (h), 112, 113, 115 to 117, 118 (a) and (b), 119, 120, 121 (a), (b), (g), (i), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (v), 122, 124 to 126, 128 (a) to (r), 129 to 157, 158 (a) and (b), and 159 to 164.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January–16 September 2013). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled. For inscription on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063 (room S-3082). A tentative schedule of General Assembly meetings is also available at the following address: www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/67schedule.shtml.

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
Open briefing

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, His Excellency Mohammed Loulichki (Morocco), and the Executive Director of the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED), Mr. Mike Smith, will hold a briefing to interested Member States on the Committee's revised documents and procedures for assessing Member States' implementation efforts of Security Council resolutions 1373 (2001) and 1624 (2005). The briefing will take place on Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Conferences
Organizational session for 2013

The organizational session for 2013 of the Committee on Conferences will be held on Monday, 29 April 2013, at 15:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), to elect the Bureau for 2013 and to adopt the annotated provisional agenda, contained in document A/AC.172/2013/L.1. For all relevant documents of the Committee please *click here*.

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee on Conferences at its 423rd meeting, on 1 September 1999, as reflected in paragraphs 172 to 175 of A/54/32, and amended in paragraph 10 of A/56/32, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to Ms. Liya Zhang, Secretary of the Committee on Conferences (e-mail zhangl@un.org).

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 261st meeting (closed) of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Tuesday, 30 April 2013, at 11:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room S-3633; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction
Intersessional workshops

Two intersessional workshops on issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction will take place at Headquarters from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The first workshop will take place on Thursday, 2, and Friday, 3 May 2013, and will address issues relating to "Marine genetic resources". The second workshop to be held on Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 May, will discuss matters relating to "Conservation and Management tools, including area-based management and environmental impact assessments". Both workshops will also consider issues related to international cooperation and coordination, as well as capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology.

The format and organization of work for the intersessional workshops and the provisional lists of panellists are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the workshops *by Wednesday, 1 May 2013* (e-mail doalos@un.org; room DC2-450; fax 1 (212) 963-5847).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-third session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-third session at Headquarters from Monday, 3, to Friday, 21 June 2013.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly, *no later than Friday, 17 May 2013*. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248. Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal consultation

The Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women will hold an informal consultation on the update of the strategic plan and development results framework, on Wednesday, 1 May 2013, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E (NLB).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations to discuss organizational matters, on Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 5 (NLB), and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 4 (NLB); and on Tuesday, 30 April, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room B (CB). All members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to attend. Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-third session

The fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held from Monday, 3, to Friday, 28 June 2013.

Members of the Committee wishing to attend the session are requested to communicate the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, *in writing*, by notes verbales to the Secretary of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail cpc@un.org; room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Member States that are not members of the Committee wishing to participate as observers should communicate, also via note verbale, the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat, well in advance of the session.

All relevant documentation and the provisional and tentative programme of work of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for the fifty-third session will be available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP country programme document for Egypt;

Tuesday, 14 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room B (CB): on the report of the UNDP Office of Audit and Investigation;

Tuesday, 21 May 2013, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the strategic plan 2008-2013; and management response;

Friday, 24 May 2013, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB): on the UNDP evaluation of the annual report on evaluation and management response;

Tuesday, 28 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Chamber (CB): on the UNDP evaluation of the global programme and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Africa and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Arab States and the management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Asia and the Pacific States and management response; the evaluation of the regional programme for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States and the management response; and the evaluation of the regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean States and the management response; and

Wednesday, 29 May 2013, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2 (NLB): on the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to South-South and triangular cooperation (2008-2011) and management response.

Pre-session informal consultation

A pre-session informal consultation of the Executive Board will take place on Friday, 17 May 2013, from 11:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

Annual session 2013

The annual session 2013 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Monday, 3, to Friday, 14 June, in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and workplan for the session will be issued in document DP/2013/L.2.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org), as early as possible, *but no later than Tuesday, 28 May*.

The upcoming annual session of the Executive Board will be PaperSmart. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements by e-mail to the PaperSmart Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The statements will be distributed electronically via the PaperSmart Portal at the time of delivery, and will be under embargo until then. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 15 hard copies of official statements for interpretation and other services. Please note that hard copies of statements will not be distributed by conference services during the session.

A printing-on-demand service will be made available to members of the Executive Board and observer delegations upon request, with a dedicated desk set up for this in the conference room. Delegations are encouraged to carry their laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices to be able to access the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Forthcoming informal consultations on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/67/251 and A/67/252. The meetings under this header are closed.*

General Assembly

Informal consultations, with all Member States, on the draft resolution entitled "Reliable and stable transit of energy and its role in ensuring sustainable development and international cooperation" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room C (CB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (monthly meeting)

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to *12:00,* in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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Briefing for Member States and Permanent Observers on "The Secretary-General's Five-year Action Agenda, pursuant to resolution 51/1 of the Commission for Social Development, entitled 'Policies and programmes involving youth'" (co-organized by the Department for Social and Economic Affairs (DESA), the United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme and the Office of the Envoy of the Secretary-General on Youth)

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 12:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Anke Green, DESA (e-mail green@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9650).]

UNITAR/OLA seminar on "Repression of piracy on the oceans and seas: An international legal framework" (co-organized by the UNITAR New York Office and the Division for Ocean Affairs and Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to attend. For registration, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Briefing on "The present and future of renewable energy" (by the secretariat of the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the Twenty-First Century (REN21)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP))

Monday, 29 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Andreas Pfaffernoschke, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail wi-4-1-vn@newy.diplo.de; or Mr. Jim Sniffen, UNEP (e-mail sniffenj@un.org).]

Briefing on "Cyberspace and international law" (organized by the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO), in cooperation with the Office of Information and Communications Technology (OICT))

Tuesday, 30 April 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy S. Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net; tel. 1 (917) 623-2861).]

Friends of the International Criminal Court (organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany)

Wednesday, 1 May 2013, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[For further information, please contact Mr. Martin Huth, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail martin.huth@diplo.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0420).]

Briefing on "The international nuclear liability regime" (organized by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA))

Wednesday, 1 May 2013, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact the IAEA Liaison Office at the United Nations (e-mail iaeany@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6012).]

Special events on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day (3 May)

High-level briefing on "Safe to speak: Ensuring the safety of journalists and media workers" (on the occasion of the World Press Freedom Day (3 May)) (co-organized by the Department of Information (DPI) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 3 (CB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Aaron Burnett, DPI (e-mail section1d@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7709).]

Screening of the film "Which Way is the Front Line from Here? The Life and Time of Tim Hetherington", followed by a panel discussion on "United Nations Plan of Action on the Safety of Journalists and the Issue of Impunity" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Costa Rica and Greece, in partnership with the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO))

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact Ms. Suzanne Bilello, UNESCO Liaison Office to the United Nations (e-mail bilello@un.org).]

UNITAR workshop on "Elections to United Nations organs"

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room A (CB).

[The workshop is open to members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. To register, please *click here*. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org).]

Launch of ACT (Accountability, Coherence and Transparency Group) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Thursday, 2 May 2013, from 13:15 to 14.30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[All members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions, as well as representatives of civil society and the media, are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Stéphanie Winet, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail stephanie.winet@eda.admin.ch; tel. 1 (212) 286-1540, ext. 1115).]

High-level event on "Human security" (organized by the Human Security Unit, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and co-sponsored by the Member States of the Human Security Network (Austria, Chile, Costa Rica, Greece, Ireland, Jordan, Mali, Norway, Panama, Slovenia, Switzerland and Thailand, with South Africa as an observer) and the Permanent Missions of Honduras, Japan and Mexico)

Wednesday, 8 May 2013, from 15:00 to 18:00, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (CB).

[Addresses will be made by the Secretary-General and the Deputy Secretary-General, and a panel discussion will be held on the implementation of human security. All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Guyatri James, Human Security Unit (e-mail jamesg@un.org); or *click here*.]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in room DC2-1142 (unless otherwise indicated), in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*); or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documents

Wednesday, 8 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in English*);

Wednesday, 15 May 2013 (from 14:00 to 16:00) (*in Spanish*); and

Tuesday, 28 May 2013 (from 10:00 to 12:00) (*in English*).

Overview of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library resources and databases (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 9 May 2013.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 15:30 to 16:30)

Tuesday, 14 May 2013.

RSS feeds (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Friday, 17 May 2013.

Advanced research using subscription e-resources (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Tuesday, 21 May 2013

Security Council documentation (from 10:00 to 12:00)

Thursday, 23 May 2013.

United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme

Member States are reminded that the deadline for submission of nominations to the 2013 Fellowship Programme is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* (Note Verbale ODA/28-2013/FP dated 28 February 2013 refers). Nomination form and other attachments can be found at www.un.org/disarmament/fellowship/. Only one nomination per Member State may be submitted and should be addressed to: The Coordinator, United Nations Disarmament Fellowship, Training and Advisory Services Programme, Office for Disarmament Affairs, United Nations Headquarters, Room S-3159, New York, N.Y. 10017.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 67/40, paras. 6 and 7, entitled "Relationship between disarmament and development", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/03-2013/D&D dated 18 March 2013 refers);

Resolution 67/49, paras. 2 and 4, entitled "Information on confidence building measures in the field of conventional arms", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note Verbale ODA/24-2013/ICBM dated 18 March 2013 refers); and

Resolution 67/62, para. 3, entitled "Conventional arms control at the regional and subregional levels", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/23-2013/CAC dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would also be grateful to receive, on-line through www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/Milex/, by *Tuesday, 30 April 2013* the information relevant to Resolution 66/20, paras. 2 and 10 (a) and (b), entitled "Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures", adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/06-2013/OIMM dated 18 March 2013 refers).

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, by *Wednesday, 15 May 2013*, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-eighth session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Charlotte Laut Hernandez (fmct@unog.ch).

Resolution 67/53, para. 2, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices", adopted on 3 December 2012 (Note verbale ODA/14-2013/FMCT dated 31 January 2013 refers).

2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2013 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 November 2013, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 30 April 2013*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course website at the following address: www.un.org/law/rcil/asia; or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2013:

Second Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (28 May 2013), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances (*click here* for general information);

Sixth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (30 May 2013), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information); and

Twenty-fifth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will meet (3 June 2013), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before the meeting*.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; room S-1308)). For any clarifications on these elections, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 25 April 2013

Security Council

6951st meeting

The situation concerning Western Sahara

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/2013/220)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Spain, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2013/243, submitted by France, the Russian Federation, Spain and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2013/243) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2013/243) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2099 (2013).

6952nd meeting

The situation in Mali

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Mali (S/2013/189)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited His Excellency Tiéman Hubert Coulibaly, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Mali, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Téte António, Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2013/242, submitted by Australia, France, Luxembourg, Morocco, the Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Togo, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2013/242) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2013/242) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2100 (2013).

Following the vote, the representative of the Russian Federation made a statement.

The Council also heard statements by His Excellency Tiéman Hubert Coulibaly, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Mali, and by His Excellency Téte António, Permanent Observer of the African Union to the United Nations.

6953rd meeting — *The situation in Côte d'Ivoire*

Letter dated 12 April 2013 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1572 (2004) concerning Côte d'Ivoire addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2013/228)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Côte d'Ivoire, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2013/244, submitted by France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2013/244) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2013/244) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2101 (2013).

After the vote, the representative of Côte d'Ivoire made a statement.

6954th meeting — *Post-conflict peacebuilding*

Report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its sixth session (S/2013/63)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to His Excellency Abulkalam Abdul Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh and Former Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, and to His Excellency Ranko Vilović, Permanent Representative of Croatia and Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard briefings by His Excellency Abulkalam Abdul Momen and His Excellency Ranko Vilović.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Togo, China, Guatemala, France, the United States, Azerbaijan, Pakistan, Australia, Morocco, Luxembourg and Argentina, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Rwanda.

6955th meeting — *The situation in Somalia*

Letter dated 19 April 2013 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2013/239)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Ethiopia and Somalia, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Jeffrey Feltman, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Feltman.

The Council heard statements by the representative of Somalia and by His Excellency Tedros Adhanom Gebreyesus, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia, in his capacity as the current Chair of the African Union and the Intergovernmental Authority on Development.

Economic and Social Council

Resumed organizational session for 2013

10th meeting

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments [item 4]

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

Statistical Commission

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: Angola, Cameroon, Italy, Libya, New Zealand, Russian Federation and Sweden.

The Council proceeded to elect one member from Latin American and Caribbean States, by secret ballot.

Ms. Vesna Baus (Croatia) and Mr. Dilli Prasad Acharya (Nepal) served as Tellers.

The results of the secret ballot were as follows:

Brazil (*34 votes*)

Mexico (*18 votes*)

Suriname (*2 votes*)

Having obtained the required majority and the largest number of votes, Brazil was declared elected for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2014.

The Council also elected the Netherlands, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2016.

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-eighth session (held in 2014) and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-first session in 2018: Benin, Liberia, Pakistan, South Africa, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Zambia.

The Council decided to postpone the election of three members from Asia-Pacific States, two members from Eastern European States, three members from Latin American and Caribbean States and one member from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-eighth session in 2014 and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-first session in 2018.

The Council also elected Bangladesh, by acclamation, to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-seventh session (held in 2013) and expiring at the close of the Commission's fiftieth session in 2017.

The Council decided to further postpone the election of one member from Asia-Pacific States and one member from Latin American and Caribbean States, both for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-ninth session in 2016; and one member from African States, one member from Asia-Pacific States and one member from Eastern European States, all for terms beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's forty-seventh session in 2013 and expiring at the close of the Commission's fiftieth session in 2017.

Commission on the Status of Women

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-ninth session (held in 2014) and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-second session in 2018: Bangladesh, Congo, El Salvador, Ghana, Guyana, India, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Republic of Korea, Tajikistan, United Republic of Tanzania and Uruguay.

The Council decided to postpone the election of one member from African States for a term beginning at the first meeting of the Commission's fifty-ninth session in 2014 and expiring at the close of the Commission's sixty-second session in 2018.

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: Angola, Australia, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, France, India, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Nigeria, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Togo and United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council nominated the following States, for election by the General Assembly, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: Benin, China, Ethiopia, Haiti and Japan.

The Council decided to postpone the nomination of one member from African States and one member from Asia-Pacific States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues – Candidates nominated by Governments

The Council elected the following members, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: Oliver Loode (Estonia), Mohammad Hassani Nejad Pirkouhi (Islamic Republic of Iran) and Aisa Mukabenova (Russian Federation).

The Council proceeded to elect two members from African States, one member from Latin American and Caribbean States and one member from Western European and other States, by secret ballot.

Ms. Vesna Baus (Croatia), Mr. Ahmad Farooq (Pakistan) and Mr. Dilli Prasad Acharya (Nepal) served as Tellers.

The results of the secret ballot were as follows:

African States:

Gervais Nzoa (Cameroon) (*49 votes*)

Joseph Goko Mutangah (Kenya) (*32 votes*)

Simon Silliam M'Viboudoulou (Congo) (*24 votes*)

Having obtained the required majority, Gervais Nzoa (Cameroon) and Joseph Goko Mutangah (Kenya) were declared elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014.

Latin American and Caribbean States:

Álvaro Esteban Pop Ac (Guatemala) (*31 votes*)

Gabriel Muyuy Jacanamejoy (Colombia) (*23 votes*)

Having obtained the required majority, Álvaro Esteban Pop Ac (Guatemala) was declared elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014.

Western European and other States:

Megan Davis (Australia) (*48 votes*)

Jens Dahl (Denmark) (*6 votes*)

Having obtained the required majority, Megan Davis (Australia) was declared elected for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014.

The President informed the Council that, in accordance with Council resolution 2000/22 and decision 2001/316, the appointment of eight members of the Permanent Forum by the President of the Council would be done at a later date.

Executive Board of the United Nations Children Fund

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: Antigua and Barbuda, China, Estonia, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Russian Federation, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zambia.

The Council was informed that Greece and Canada would resign from their seats on the Executive Board effective 1 January 2014. The Council then elected Japan to complete the term of office of Greece (expiring 31 December 2014) and New Zealand to complete Canada's term of office (expiring 31 December 2015), both for terms beginning on 1 January 2014.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: Armenia, China, Cuba, Ecuador, Ireland, Montenegro, Nepal, Netherlands, Norway, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America.

The Council was informed that New Zealand, Portugal, Japan and Spain would resign from their seats on the Executive Board effective 1 January 2014. The Council then elected Canada to complete New Zealand's term of office (expiring 31 December 2014), Belgium to complete Portugal's term of office (expiring 31 December 2014), Switzerland to complete Japan's term of office (expiring 31 December 2015) and Finland to complete Spain's term of office (expiring 31 December 2015).

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: Burundi, Cuba, Ethiopia, Norway and Pakistan.

The Council decided to postpone the election of one member from List D for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014.

Casual vacancy

International Narcotics Control Board

The President informed the Council of a vacancy arising from the death of one of the members of the International Narcotics Control Board, Mr. Hamid Ghodse (Islamic Republic of Iran).

The Council then proceeded to elect one member, by secret ballot, from among the candidates nominated by the World Health Organization for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 1 March 2017.

Ms. Priscilla Marie-Noelle Reetoo (Mauritius) and Mr. Jonathan Viera (Ecuador) served as Tellers.

The results of the secret ballot were as follows:

Sri Suryawati (Indonesia) (*42 votes*)

Mohammed Tamouh Abou-Saleh (Syrian Arab Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (*5 votes*)

Jaanus Harro (Estonia) (*5 votes*)

Having obtained the required majority, Sri Suryawati (Indonesia) was declared elected for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 1 March 2017.

Programme Coordinating Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

The Council elected the following States, by acclamation, for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014: El Salvador, France, India, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania and United States of America.

The Council decided to postpone the election of one member from African States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2014.

Outstanding vacancies from previous sessions

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

The Council elected the following members, by acclamation, to fill outstanding vacancies on the Intergovernmental Working Group: Côte d'Ivoire and Sri Lanka for a term expiring on 31 December 2014 and Ghana for a term expiring on 31 December 2015, all for terms beginning on the date of election.

The Council decided to further postpone the election of one member from Asia-Pacific States and eight members from Western European and other States, all for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2014; four members from Asia-Pacific States, two members from Eastern European States and two members from Latin American and Caribbean States, all for terms beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2015.

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

The Council elected Nigeria and Pakistan, by acclamation, to fill outstanding vacancies on the Committee for the United Nations Population Award for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2015.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

The Council elected France and Norway, by acclamation, to fill outstanding vacancies on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2016.

The Council decided to further postpone the election of two members from Eastern European States and one member from Western European and other States for terms expiring on 31 December 2015; and two members from Eastern European States and two members from Western European and other States for terms expiring on 31 December 2016, all for terms beginning on the date of election.

Committee of Experts on Public Administration

The President informed the Council that the appointment of the 24 experts to the Committee of Experts on Public Administration would take place at a later date.

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

The President informed the Council that the list of 25 experts appointed to the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters by the Secretary-General would be before the Council at a later date.

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

The President informed the Council that the election of the 24 members of the Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women would take place at a later date.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

Basic programme of work of the Council [item 3]

The Council resumed its consideration of the items.

Theme for the item on regional cooperation of the 2013 substantive session of the Council

The Council had before it a draft decision contained in document E/2013/L.3, submitted by the Bureau of the Council on the basis of the proposal by the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions.

The Council adopted the draft decision.

Theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2013 substantive session of the Council

The Council had before it a draft decision contained in document E/2013/L.4, submitted by the Vice-President of the Council (Pakistan), on the basis of informal consultations.

The Council agreed to the proposal of the President to waive the relevant provision of rule 54 of the rules of procedure of the Council and proceeded to act on draft decision E/2013/L.4.

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Pakistan).

The Council adopted the draft decision.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the President.

Commission on Population and Development
Forty-sixth session

8th meeting

General debate on the contribution of population and development issues to the theme of the annual ministerial review in 2013 [item 5]

Introductory statements were made by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council and the Chief of the Population and Development Section of the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA).

General discussion

The Commission began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the representative of Indonesia.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 5.

Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population (E/CN.9/2013/6 and E/CN.9/2013/CRP.1) [item 6]

An introductory statement was made by the Chief of the Population Studies Branch of the Population Division.

The Commission began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Norway and the United States.

A statement was also made by the representative of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC).

The Chief of the Population Studies Branch made some concluding remarks.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 6.

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-third session
Organizational session

1st meeting

Opening of the session

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chairs of the fifty-second session of the Committee, the Secretary of the Committee opened the organizational session and presided over the election of the Bureau.

Election of officers [item 1]

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Yuri Ambrazevich (Belarus) and Mr. Justin Kisoka (United Republic of Tanzania) as Vice-Chairs, and Ms. Hélène Petit (France) as Rapporteur of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for the fifty-third session.

In the absence of nominations for the post of Chair of the Committee from among the members of the Group of Asia-Pacific States and the post of Vice-Chair of the Committee from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States for the fifty-third session, the Committee decided to postpone the election of these officers to its substantive session beginning on 3 June 2013.

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work [item 2]

In the absence of a Chair of the Committee as well as any of the Vice-Chairs at its fifty-third session, the Secretary of the Committee continued to preside over the remaining items of the organizational session.

The Committee adopted the provisional agenda for the fifty-third session (E/AC.51/2013/1).

Status of preparedness of documentation

The Committee had before it a document on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2013/L.1) and a note by the Secretariat on the reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (E/AC.51/2013/L.2).

The Secretary of the Committee provided an oral update on the status of preparedness of documentation (E/AC.51/2013/L.1).

The Committee decided to consider all reports of the Joint Inspection Unit, as listed in document E/AC.51/2013/L.2.

Organization of work

Before consideration of the draft programme of work, the Committee was requested to comment on the duration of the upcoming session.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Uruguay, Cuba, Peru, France, El Salvador, Argentina, the Russian Federation, Italy, Algeria, China and Japan, as well as the observer for the United States.

The Committee decided to convene a four-week session from 3 to 28 June 2013 and considered a preliminary draft programme of work for its fifty-third session prepared by the Secretariat and subject to review by the Bureau.

Closure of the session

The Executive Officer of the Department of Management briefed the Committee on entitlements to daily subsistence allowance (DSA) and logistics of travel arrangements for delegates coming from their respective capitals.

The organizational session of the fifty-third session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination was declared closed.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

Arms Trade Treaty
(New York, 2 April 2013)

Opening for signature

The Arms Trade Treaty was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 67/234B of 2 April 2013.

In accordance with its article 21, the Treaty shall be open for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York by all States from Monday, 3 June 2013, until its entry into force.

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His Excellency Ignace Gata Mavita wa Lufuta

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His Excellency Ali'ioaiga Feturi Elisaia

Eastern European States:
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
His Excellency Pajo Avirovikj

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
His Excellency Camillo Gonsalves

Western European and other States:
France
His Excellency Gérard Araud

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